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THE POLITICAL CRISIS.

LOYD GEORGE MAY FORM CENTRE PARTY.

"MY SWORD IS IN MY HAND."

CURZON AND DERBY TO SUPPORT BONAR LAW.

(Reuter's Service.)

London, October 20.
The collapse of the Coalition does not appear to have met with much regret. The papers adopt an air of resignation and mostly regard the future optimistically.
It is thought that Mr. Bonar Law will be able to form a Ministry, after which he may decide to carry on the Government for a while.

The Conservatives possess a clear majority in the House of Commons; hence a General Election may possibly be deferred until January or February, though it is expected immediately in some quarters.

There is reason to believe that a number of Unionists, including Earl Balfour, Mr. Chamberlain, Lord Birkenhead, Sir Robert Horne and Lord Lee intend to throw in their lot with Mr. Lloyd George, who is reputed to be endeavouring to form a Centre Party.

Mr. Bonar Law, after he had seen the King last night, had a long talk with Lord Derby, also Sir George Younger and Colonel Gretton, the "Die Hard" leader, and others.

The Conservative Leadership.

London, October 20.
A Conservative meeting is being arranged to take place at the Carlton Club on the 23rd inst. to elect a leader. If Mr. Bonar Law is appointed he is expected to present a list of the Cabinet to the King with the object of carrying on pending the establishment of more stable conditions, but the new appointments would necessitate a number of bye-elections which would give some indications of the feelings of the constituencies.

It is understood that the keynote of Mr. Bonar Law's policy will be the strictest economy and a better understanding with the Allies. In the meantime, France has agreed to Lord Curzon's request to postpone the Near East Peace Conference until November 15th, the venue of which it is suggested should be Lausanne.

What the Newspapers Say.

London, October 20.
With two exceptions, not a word of regret at the disappearance of the Coalition is expressed by the papers to-day. The exceptions are the *Daily Telegraph*, which, nevertheless, admits the validity of the act by which the Carlton Club meeting destroyed the Government, and the *Daily Chronicle*, which believes Coalition Government is likely to be the country's lot in the future and which devotes a special article to a panegyric of Mr. Lloyd George, "the kind of leader who wins good service."

The other papers rejoice, the Conservatives welcoming the opportunity of restoring the nation to its former position of moral constitutional propriety, developing the resources of the Empire and reducing expenditure. The Liberals express satisfaction at the rupture of a politically immoral combination and "a return to clean politics."

Lords Curzon and Derby Side With Mr. Bonar Law.

Never has a political crisis in Britain come to a head with such startling rapidity as yesterday. The end of a political epoch finds all parties eager for the fray.

A short life is predicted for any Government formed by Mr. Bonar Law, whose health is regarded as unequal to the strain, but the anticipations in some quarters that he will find difficulty in forming a Ministry in view of the fact that thirteen Ministers signed the Unionist manifesto cabled yesterday are somewhat discounted by to-day's announcement that Lord Curzon and Lord Derby have undertaken to co-operate with Mr. Bonar Law.

The election, when it comes, will find the Independent Liberals and Labourites no nearer co-operation than previously.

"A Veritable Cinema Show."

Sir Donald Maclean, speaking at Innerleithen, summed up the prospect by saying there would be "a veritable cinema show of parties and groups within parties." He said there would be not merely three-cornered but four-cornered contests and it was quite possible that the next majority in the House of Commons would represent a minority of electors. He urged the new Government immediately to pass a measure of Proportional Representation.

As regards the possible effect of the crisis on the Irish settlement, it is significant that Lord Salisbury, in a speech at Cirencester, said the Unionists must respect the Treaty so long as the Irish Government properly used the powers thereunder; and it is noteworthy that Sir James Craig, speaking in the Ulster Parliament, welcomed the advent of Mr. Bonar Law as being helpful to the Ulsterites.

The Independent Liberals are generally considered best-equipped financially for a fight. Their war chest is estimated at £3,000,000, compared with the Unionists' £1,000,000 while the Labourites, though abounding with candidates, are impoverished by strikes and unemployment allowances.

Mr. Lloyd George to-day goes to Leeds in a kind of triumphal progress, it being arranged that his train shall halt at towns en route to address deputations of the Liberal Associations.

Foreign Press Opinion.

London, October 20.
The news of Mr. Lloyd George's downfall was received with frank satisfaction in Paris, with anxiety in Berlin and with calm detachment in Washington, where the opinion is held that the change will not affect the broad lines of British policy as regards the United States.

A Paris message says the papers recall Mr. Lloyd George's services to the Entente during the war, but welcome his downfall owing to his post-war policy. They gratefully anticipate that Franco-British relations will immediately improve with the accession of a fresh leader. All hope that the new Cabinet will realise the necessity of intimate Franco-British collaboration.

A Berlin message says the *Lokal Anzeiger* voices the widely-held view that Mr. Lloyd George's resignation means a fresh triumph for M. Poincaré. The opinion is elsewhere expressed, however, that Britain, particularly in view of her unemployment problem, is unlikely to alter the main lines of her policy.

The *New York World* is of opinion that things could not have happened better for Mr. Lloyd George, for the crisis will enable him to enter the elections as an aggressive leader of the Opposition.

THE PRINCE ON HIS FAR EASTERN TOUR.

Mr. Lloyd George Present at Guildhall.

RECOLLECTIONS OF KOWLOON TRIP.

Anglo-Japanese Friendship.

(Reuter's Service.)

London, October 20.
Despite dull weather, the Prince of Wales was heartily cheered by crowds while driving in an open carriage from York House to the Guildhall this morning to receive an address of congratulation upon his eastern tour. There was an imposing ceremony. The Guildhall was packed, the distinguished guests including the Duke of Connaught, Indian Prince, Mr. Lloyd George, who received a great ovation, and other ex-Ministers, and the Dominion High-Commissioners. The Japanese Ambassador was the only diplomat present. Replying to an address which referred to the abiding Anglo-Japanese friendship, the Prince emphasised that the object of his travels was to gain by personal observation as much intimate, sympathetic knowledge of the Empire as possible. His visit to Japan enabled him not only to renew his personal friendship with the Prince Regent, but to realise the strength of the traditional ties which, happily, so long existed between the two island Empires.

Hopes of Recovery in Malaya.

London, October 20.
The Prince of Wales, in a speech at the Guildhall, referred to his visit to Ceylon and Malaya, which were suffering from the rubber slump, but his Royal Highness was convinced by what he saw that when normal conditions are restored the prosperity of the rich peninsula will be re-established.

Speaking of his visit to Hongkong, H.R.H. declared that it would always be a disappointment that he did not see more of China; but he went to Kowloon and got a glimpse of Chinese life.

Afterwards H.R.H. spoke warmly of his visit to Japan, and declared that he would always feel grateful to Japan for the spontaneous welcome received everywhere, which enabled him to come into contact with representatives of all classes and to realise the wonderful progress the nation has made in recent years. He had many opportunities of assuring the Japanese people that the Anglo-Japanese alliance, although merged in a wider instrument, is still strong in the heart of the British nation, and trusted it would continue to operate for the welfare of humanity generally.

The Future of India.

London, October 20.
Mr. Lloyd George received a most wonderful ovation at the Guildhall, when he rose and toasted the Prince of Wales. Mr. Lloyd George was visibly impressed, but overcame nervousness and spoke for an hour. He was loudly cheered when he referred to loyalty to the Prince as contrasted with Party. He paid a tribute to the Prince's work in India in the face of climatic and other difficulties, and referred to the desire of the bulk of Indians for progress on constitutional lines.

The Prince of Wales, replying, declared his confidence in the future of India as a partner in the British Commonwealth of nations. He was encouraged in this belief by the recent freedom from unrest and disturbance. He opined that India would become a great manufacturing as well as an agricultural nation.

THE RUBBER RESTRICTION SCHEME

Company Director Recommends a Little Waiting.

London, October 20.
Mr. William, director of the Bulohakar Rubber Estates, Perak, declares that the new rubber restriction scheme will be complicated, and will require an army of new officials. The condition of the rubber market has greatly improved in the last few months, and the outlook is promising. Mr. Huntsman urges waiting a few months longer before taking the proposed action.

CHINESE DISTURBANCES IN AMSTERDAM.

Result of Trials.

Amsterdam, October 20.
Of twenty-two Chinese arrested after the recent disturbances six have been sentenced to terms of imprisonment ranging from four months to four years. The remainder were acquitted.

GREECE DECIDES TO RETRENCH.

Reducing Number of Legations.

London, October 20.
The Greek Government, for reasons of economy, has decided to suppress a number of its Legations, including those at Berlin, Vienna, Tokyo, Petrograd, Brussels and The Hague.

The *New York Herald* thinks it extraordinary that the Government's downfall should be produced by the attacks on Mr. Lloyd George's Turkish policy, his intrepid course of restraining the Turk being overwhelmingly approved by American sentiment.

The *New York Tribune* refers to the impairment of Mr. Lloyd George's prestige by "the Genoa and Græco-Turkish failures."

The Prince's Good Wishes.

London, October 20.
On leaving the Guildhall en route to Leeds, Mr. Lloyd George shook hands with the Prince of Wales, who patted him affectionately on the shoulder and wished him good luck.

Ex-Premier in Fighting Mood.

There were scenes of great enthusiasm at St. Pancras Station on the departure of Mr. Lloyd George in a special train for Leeds, accompanied by Mrs. Lloyd George and a hundred Liberal members, candidates and friends. Responding to the large crowd's demands for a speech, Mr. Lloyd George thanked the great assemblage for coming to cheer him on his pilgrimage and declared "I am a free man; the burden is off my shoulders, but my sword is in my hand."

KOWLOON HOSPITAL.

Tenders Being Called For.

At last, tenders are being invited in connection with the construction of the Kowloon Hospital. They must reach the Colonial Secretary's office before noon on December 4th.

It is explained in the official notice that the work consists of the construction of five blocks of buildings, together with offices and outhouses, etc., at Tai Shek Ku.

JAPANESE MAJOR SENTENCED.

Disappearance of Czech Arms.

Tokyo, Oct. 21.—Major Hara has been court-martialled for neglect in connection with the disappearance of the Czech-Slovak arms stored at Vladivostok and has been sentenced to a year and a half's imprisonment, but the execution of the sentence has been deferred for two years. The Court expressed sympathy for the prisoner, who said he was actuated by patriotic motives in allowing the Whites to secure the arms against the Reds.—*Reuter*.

JAPANESE WAR MINISTRY.

The New Vice-Minister.

Tokyo, Oct. 20.—Lieut-Gen. Shirakawa has been appointed Vice-Minister of War vice Mr. Kojima, deceased.—*Reuter*.

OUR FINANCES.

A Substantial Balance.

A financial statement contained in the Gazette for the first seven months of the current year shows that the Colony's balance at the end of July was \$10,187,137, as against \$9,712,349 at the end of June.

The total revenue secured from January 1st to July 31st came to \$13,987,750, this comparing with \$12,553,012 for the corresponding period last year. The increase is largely explained by the fact that land sales brought in over \$2,340,000, as against \$266,000 odd during the first seven months of 1921.

For the month of July, the total revenue was \$1,785,260, compared with \$1,442,517 in July, 1921.

Expenditure during the first seven months of 1922 came to \$9,590,359, contrasted with \$7,851,564 last year, there being a considerable increase under miscellaneous services.

The outgoings for July this year amounted to \$1,312,332, as against \$1,430,239 last year.

DEATH OF THE MARQUIS OF BREADALBANE.

London, October 20.

The death has occurred of Lord Breadalbane. [The Marquis of Breadalbane was born in 1851 and held several appointments in the Royal Household. From 1893-5 he was Lord High Commissioner of the General Assembly of the Church of Scotland. The family owns estates covering 200,000 acres. Although the deceased nobleman is the first holder of the Marquisate, the family has belonged to the Peerage for many generations.]

GERMAN TRADE EXPANSION.

London, October 20.

Following up his letter in the *Daily Telegraph* last month on German trade expansion, Mr. S. M. Mitra writes again to the *Telegraph* pointing out that if Tibetan and Nepalese traders in Bengal were prepared to help the Germans they will be found ready to co-operate with British firms if British commercial travellers approach them in the right way.

CREW OF DUTCH VESSEL DROWNED.

Amsterdam, October 20.

It is reported that the crew of 23 of the Dutch vessel *Cornelis* which went ashore off the coast of Sweden, were all drowned.

THE MARK MARKET.

London, October 20.

In London, marks are quoted at 17,000.

(Other Telegrams on Page 2.)

CANTON BOMB INCIDENT.

A Foreigner Arrested.

Our Canton correspondent reports that on the evening of the 19th instant the offices of the *Chung Sing Po* were bombed. Part of the front wall collapsed and one person was killed and two wounded. Two women who happened to be in a shop near by also suffered, one being killed and the other wounded.

On the affair being reported, General Chan Wing-on with a number of policemen proceeded to the Man Kwuk Hospital in Foo Tung Street, where a bomb-making plant and a number of shells were discovered. Two Chinese and a European, the latter said to be a Russian, were arrested and taken to the Municipality headquarters. It is stated that a prominent M. P. is concerned in the affair.

At about the same time, two fuses exploded in a Club on the West Bund and another in a boarding house, several people being injured. Two boat women were also injured by a fuse which exploded on the East Bund.

"PETER PAN."

Peak Children's Success.

The children who presented the tableaux of the old favourite "Peter Pan" at the Peak Club yesterday afternoon are to be congratulated on their fine performance. The hall-room was crowded with youngsters, with a sprinkling of adults, and all were enthusiastic in their praise. The entertainment was in aid of the Ministering Children's League.

There were six tableaux and all were gorgeously staged. The talent shown by the little artists and actresses was surprising and great credit is due to Mrs. Sanders, who was mainly responsible for training the children, and Miss Reece, who led the singing. Both the dances and the vocal part of the entertainment were most enjoyable. Mrs. Penman arranged the dances and adapted the play into tableaux form and to her no small part of the success is due. Pleading music was provided by Mrs. Aubrey and Mrs. Adams and the lighting effects were under the charge of Mr. J. P. Radcliffe and Petty Officer Routley.

The principal parts were taken by Joyce Penman and Yvonne Shenton (The Peters), Hilary Lowe and Iris Pfondten (The Wendies), Mary Sanders (Tinkerbell), Dawo Siller and Betty Bromwich who came on as fairies, and also as "Michael" and "John," Wendy's brothers.

There are to be two further performances to-day, at 5.30 and 9.5.



Late Sir W. Meyer, High Commissioner for India, whose death was reported yesterday.

THE RUSSIAN FOLLIES.

A Novel Programme.

The following is the programme to be presented by the famous Russian Follies, which shows at a glance that it represents a unique variety of dances such as Hongkong theatre-goers are seldom treated to:

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A Dance of Love (Mozzkowski).—Miss K. Makarova and Mr. Juri Thomas.

Isha.—(Indian Dance; Lind-sow).—Mr. Juri Thomas.

Polka. (Drigo).—Miss K. Makarova.

Autumn Dance. (Ases Death; Greig).—Mr. Juri Thomas.

Operatic Excerpts.—Miss Tamara Rostova.

Spanish Dance (Rubinstein).—Mr. Juri Thomas.

Russian Dance (Rimsky-Korsakoff).—Miss Makarova.

Polish Dance (Wieniawski).—Mr. Juri Thomas.

Operatic Excerpts.—Miss Tamara Rostova.

Gypsy Songs and Dances.—Mmes. Tamara, Astova, Salambo, and Mr. Juri Thomas.

Owing to steamer sailings, this talented troupe can only appear on the two nights of the 25th, and 26th, at 9.15 p.m., at the Theatre Royal. Booking is now open at Montrose's and all lovers of rhythmic interpretation of music should not miss this opportunity.

Prices are as usual, sailors and soldiers being admitted at half price.

News in To-day's New Advertisements.

The N.Y.K. advise consignees of the arrival from Europe of the *Hakozaki Maru*.—Page 4.
Bandman's New English Farci-Company are opening at the Theatre Royal on Friday.—Page 4.

A first class passage to England is offered to nurse in exchange for services.—Page 4.
Mr. Harry Greig giving a piano-forte recital on October 30th.—Page 4.

"Falls of a Big City" is being shown at the World Theatre to-night.—Page 4.

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Anderson's advertise dance records.—Page 4.
Consignees are advised by the Admiral Line of the arrival of the s.s. *President Grant*.—Page 5.

The Glen Line agents announce to consignees the arrival of the m.s. *Glenparry*.—Page 4.
Watson's advertise perfume.—Page 6.

"False Faces" is being shown at the Kowloon Theatre to-night and at the Coronet to-morrow.—Page 7.

To-Day's Exchange.

The closing rate of the dollar on demand to-day was 2s. 5.914d.
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Lighting-up time to-day, 5.54 p.m.

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YACHTING.

**The Royal's Annual
Meeting.**

The Hon. Mr. A. R. Lowe presided at the annual meeting of the Royal Hongkong Yacht Club, held at the Club House, North Point, last evening. Among those present were His Excellency the Officer Administering the Government (Hon. Mr. Claud Severn, C.M.G.), Commodore Grace, R.N., Messrs. E. Sutherland, D. K. Blair, D. H. Blake, G. M. Shaw, A. G. Lamplugh, J. S. McCann, M. J. Henderson, D. C. Logan, D. J. Ralph, H. S. Rouse, C. E. L. Grist, J. D. McClatchie, J. Thayer, H. V. Lamarche, E. Cook, F. G. Vaux (Hon. Secretary), T. A. Martin (Hon. Treasurer), Capt. Davidson, and Capt. G. A. Crawford.

The Chairman, in proposing the adoption of the report and statement of accounts, regretted that the Commodore, Mr. Frank Smyth, was unable to be present that evening. The Committee had presented a very voluminous report of the activities of the Club during the past year, and of the hopes for the future. The expenses of running the Club had been more than in previous years, but it was hoped to curtail them to some extent during the coming season. The area in front of the Club house had never been really sufficient to accommodate all their craft, and now that the Praya extension had taken up their anchorage ground, they had been compelled to seek the assistance of the Government. He was very pleased to be able to say that the Government had given them permission to use the Harbour Master's pier at Causeway Bay alongside the breakwater, with proper facilities for tying up the craft. (Applause.) The only other point the Chairman said he wished to mention was that a number of their members had been showing extreme energy in taking their boats around the island. It was very clever of them, and he thought they had done all right to have had permission of either the Royal or the Government to do so. (Laughter.)

A Plan for Economy.

Mr. Sutherland, in seconding, expressed regret that the Club had been run at a loss of some thousands of dollars. As an old member he really thought such should not be the case. He did not wish in any way to enter into unneeded criticism, but there was one item, an old favourite of his, to which he was obliged to call attention, and that was the amount of money expended on prizes. Under the heading "Yachting" members would find that last year a sum of \$822 was expended on prizes for the Yachting Championship. This amount only represented two prizes, two for each of the five classes of sailing boats, and calculating it on an average exchange of 2s. 7d. it worked out at something approaching £20 a prize. There were not very many yachting clubs in the world, situated as they were, that could afford to pay such a very high sum, and he really thought it would add rather to the honour of the sport if the Club went in for a very modified scheme of prizes. (Applause.) He suggested that they should have a small cup, valued at about \$15 or \$20 for the Championship, and that the winners of each series of races be presented with small souvenirs, such as spoons or flags, as was done at home. He put the matter forward for the serious consideration of the incoming Committee. Mr. Sutherland also drew attention to the regatta expenses, which had doubled. This was due to the change of venue, the regatta last year being held at Repulse Bay. The experiment was a good one, but he hoped the Committee would benefit by the experience gained last year, and see if they could not run it upon a more moderate scale. The figures he was referring to did not include the very handsome cups, presented by the Commodore and others, which had been included, would have mounted up to a rather surprising sum. Mr. Sutherland spoke of what the Club owed to the generosity of Mr. Frank Smyth. They could not anticipate for a moment that Mr. Smyth was going to continue in this generous way; it was the last thing they could expect. He urged that the incoming Committee should look upon a little hearing in mind that sooner or later these generous gifts would cease and that they would have to pay their own way. (Hearty applause.)

The New Commodore.

At the instance of the Chairman it was decided to ask the Commodore in Chief and the General Officer Commanding to become patrons of the Club in addition to Sir R. E. Stubbs, K.C.M.G.

The Chairman, having announced that Mr. Frank Smyth regretted that he could not accept the position of Commodore this year.

His Excellency the Officer Administering the Government expressed the hope that the meeting would elect an energetic man for the post. He personally had had experience of the office and knew what a tremendous amount of work it involved. His Excellency paid a tribute to the great services rendered to the Club in that position by Mr. Frank Smyth and drew on the importance of selecting from among the members someone who would efficiently carry on the great traditions of the past. In submitting the name of the Hon. Mr. A. R. Lowe, His Excellency expressed the opinion that if he was elected the Club would have no reason to regret his choice. Mr. Lowe was not only a keen yachtsman, but had the interests of the Club at heart, and he was sure would do his utmost to continue to make it as prosperous as it had ever been. In his (the speaker's) yachting experience he had had a good deal to do with Mr. Lowe, for the reason that he was the owner of a cruiser which was his nearest rival. (Laughter.) He had been out with Mr. Lowe in all weathers and knew what an efficient helmsman he was.

EARLIER TELEGRAMS.

FRANCE AND THE MOSLEMS.

Paris, Oct. 19.

The first stone of the Mosque in Paris was laid solemnly under the presidency of Marshal Lyautey. All the Mahomedan nations were represented, Afghanistan by Sirdar Mahomed Tarzi and Afghan students and India by the Maharajah of Kapurthala.

Si Kaddour Ben Ghabrit, Chief of the Society for the Holy Places of Moslem, alluding to the French attitude towards events in the Near East, said the Moslems' gratitude for France will be eternal.

Marshal Lyautey emphasized that all the deep sympathies of the French people are for Turkish endeavours at national restoration.—Havas.

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Commodore Grace seconded. The Committee, he said, felt that Mr. Lowe had mothered and fathered the smaller craft during the last three years, and he personally would like to see him flying his flag over the Club house as its Commodore.

The resolution having been carried with unanimity, the Hon. Mr. A. R. Lowe made brief response, thanking the members for the high honour they had conferred upon him. He realized how difficult it was for him to follow in the steps of their late Commodore. He confessed that in view of increasing years he had thought of transferring some of his affections to the game of all games, the Royal and Ancient game of bowls, but he found his yacht a little too inviting to be able to refrain from going aboard whenever opportunity offered. Now that Mr. Smyth's generosity had provided them with a fine lawn and Mr. Brasfield had succeeded in starting the game of bowls, he could assure them that his affections would remain with the Yacht Club. (Applause.)

On the motion of the Commodore seconded by Mr. McCann, Mr. D. K. Blair was unanimously elected to the position of Vice Commodore.

Other elections were as under:—

Sailing Committee: Commodore E. Grace, R.N., Messrs. P. M. Hodgson, H. S. Rouse, A. W. Van Anolt, D. H. Blake and E. Cook.

Rowing Committee: Messrs. E. Sutherland, D. C. Logan, J. S. McCann, A. G. Lamplugh, O. S. G. Sheppard and G. May.

Bathing Committee: Messrs. E. H. Carpenter and D. Wahl.

House Committee: Messrs. D. L. Ralph and J. S. McCann.

Hon. Secretary: Mr. F. G. Vaux.

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CHINESE RAILWAY WORKERS.

Shanghai, Oct. 20.—The employees of the Shanghai-Nanking and Shanghai-Hangchow railways at a mass meeting at Woonung decided to call a strike unless their demands are met, including shorter hours, holidays, higher wages and pensions.—Reuter.

CHINESE POLITICS.

Peking, Oct. 20.—The members of the Cabinet yesterday sent a communication to the President in which they said they must obey the President's order to carry on so as to prevent the dissolution of administrative work; but they asked President Li Yuan-hung to select a new Cabinet as soon as possible, as Parliament is again in session.—Reuter.

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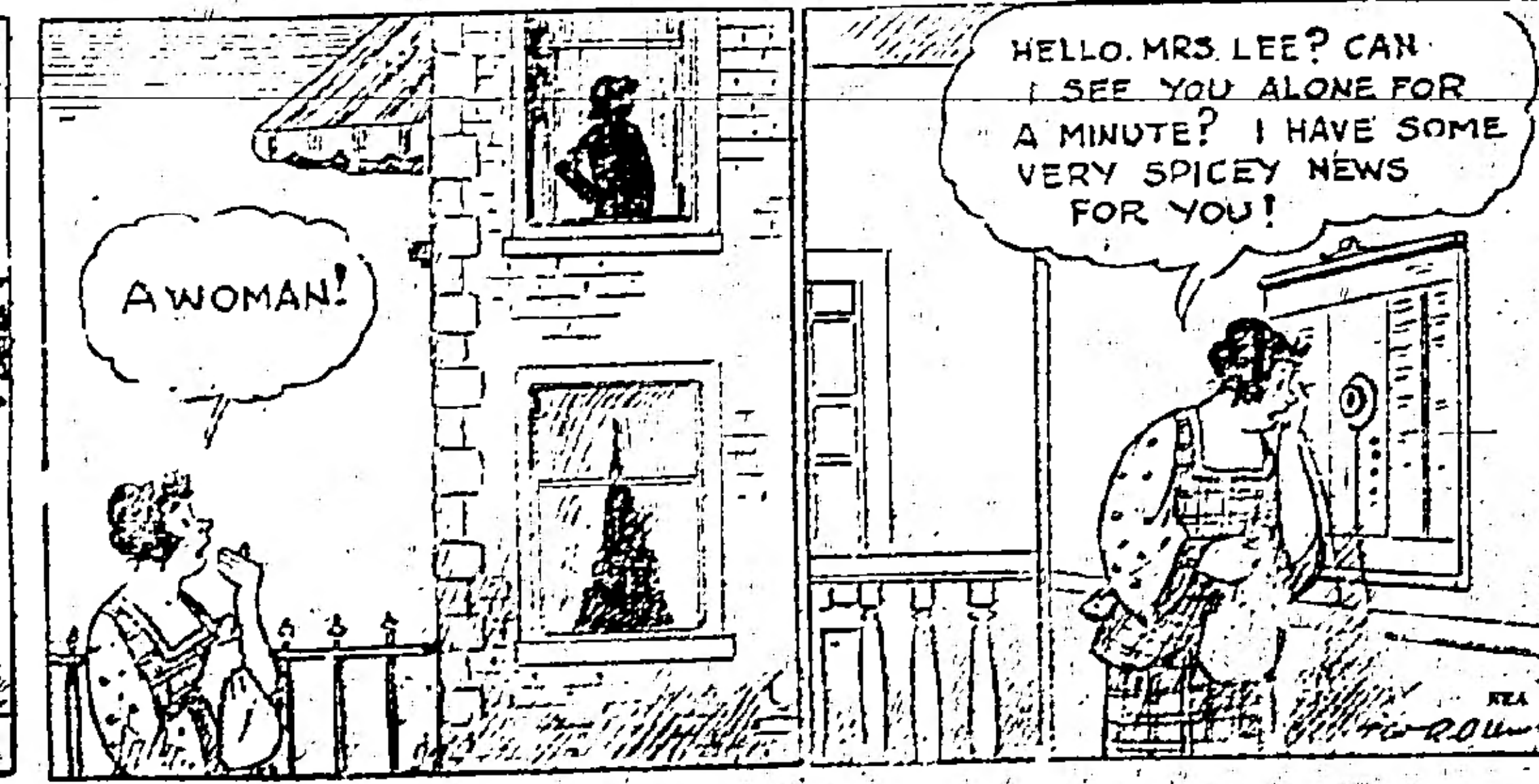
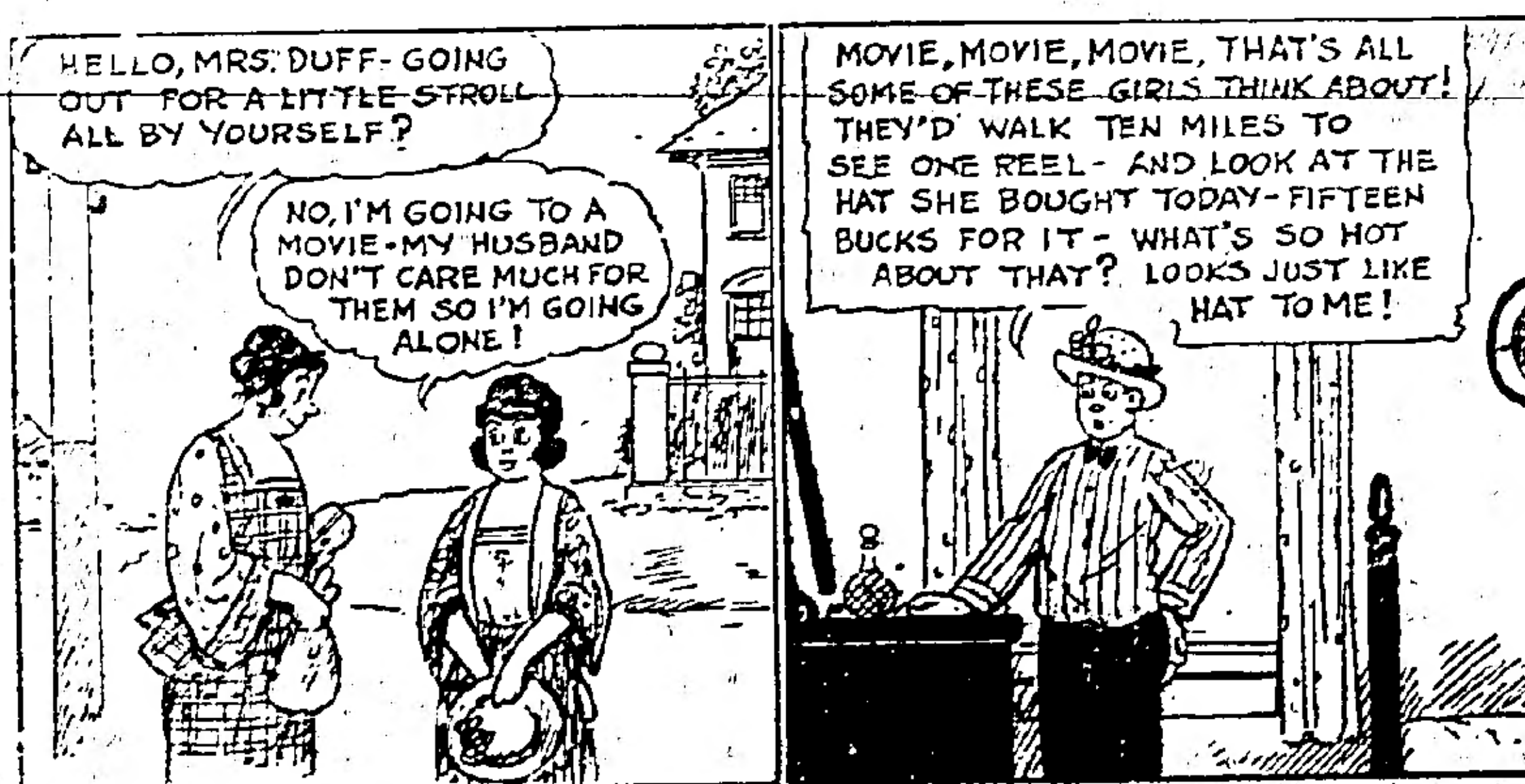
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CREATION EVERY DAY.

Spontaneous Generation?

Where did life begin on earth? In his address to the Zoology Section of the British Association last month, Professor E. J. Allen submitted that it began in the ocean. "The Progression of Life in the Sea" was his subject. "Different views are still held as to the origin of life in this world," he said "but on one question that it began in close connection with water. That it began in the sea, where the necessary elements were present, is an idea which appeals to many. In the beginning there was progression from inorganic elements in seawater to flagellates—tiny whip-like creature floating freely in water. "Perhaps it is not too presumptuous to hazard the old guess that even to-day organic matter may be produced in the sea and natural waters without the intervention of living organisms."

Dr. Allen assumed that in the primitive oceans at the twilight of the world, organic compounds were formed by the energy of light vibrations. "The evolutionary step was long and elaborate, for even the simplest living organism we know is highly complex both in structure and functions," he said. "The first organic substances, he presumed, assumed colloidal (i.e., gelatinous) state. Electric charges on the colloidal particles produced a kind of growth entirely physical in character. THE FIRST TAIL. Dr. Allen described the development of the first individual organisms. At first, it is believed, they were spherical and floated in water. Under the direct influence of light they grew more rapidly on the upper side. The first tail was the flagellate form which beat rhythmically and kept the creature near the light. Fishes were probably first evolved not to meet the conditions found within the sea, but to battle with swift currents of rivers. Consequently they developed their slender "streamline" shape. That many sea fishes still return to the rivers, especially for spawning, supports this view. After developing their speed and swimming strength they may have returned to the sea, where they roamed wide areas in search of food and became predominant.

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ANOTHER ICE AGE COMING?

Return To Prehistoric Conditions.

The truth of the New Testament revelation that nations will ultimately be as one was borne out by Professor Sir C. S. Sherrington, president of the British Association, in his presidential address. "In the range of animal forms," he said, "we meet two peaks, one in insect life, and the other in the vertebrate. In the insect the type of mind is not rational, but instinctive, whereas, at the height of vertebrate development, reason is there as well as instinct. Yet in both the one outcome seems to be the welding of individuals into societies on a scale of organisation otherwise unattained. FUSION OF NATIONS. Professor Sherrington amplified for me what this scientific reasoning involved. Asked if it meant that in ages to come there would be a complete fusion of nations, he replied "Undoubtedly, at some remote period. That is what we were leading forward to."

"We can tell," he said, "in what direction nature is bearing us. One day the revelation in the New Testament will be realised and the human race will be one harmonious unit. It will take aeons of time, but a review of biological history points to the fact that the processes are functioning towards that end." It was pointed out to him that it was strange this should be so similar to a Biblical prophecy. He replied that science only confirmed the revelation of a Kingdom of God upon earth. "Even the great war," he declared, "was a step towards evolution, and the fusion of nations. Germany's idea was execrable. Her idea of fusion of races was for every other nation to have been welded under her, and for us to have been slaves under German foremen, but the course the war took prevented that, and the great problem of the future, from the biological point of view, in considering the human race as one broad, harmonious whole, is that of the yellow and coloured populations in America. "That, to the scientific mind is an extremely difficult problem, but I have no doubt in my own mind that ultimately the whole of the human family will be as one unit."

When asked Professor Sherrington whether some great planetary cataclysm or internecine disturbance of the future was likely to affect that harmony of races, he agreed that it was quite possible there might be another glacial epoch to be reckoned with by humanity beforehand. "That would indeed be an SOS for the world," he said, "and there is no question but that it will come one day as it has occurred in the past. "The turning of the earth's axis," he said, "will make those parts of the world now cold much colder, and those parts now tropical will become more temperate. "We are getting to the end of our main sources of energy," he said, "though after coal there is water-power. Should human ingenuity find some other source of power the next glacial epoch might not matter much, except to drive man to his greatest achievement. "Such an epoch, might last 10,000 years," he pointed out, and draw for me a graphic picture of how man saved himself in the last period when the human race retreated south and lived in caves.

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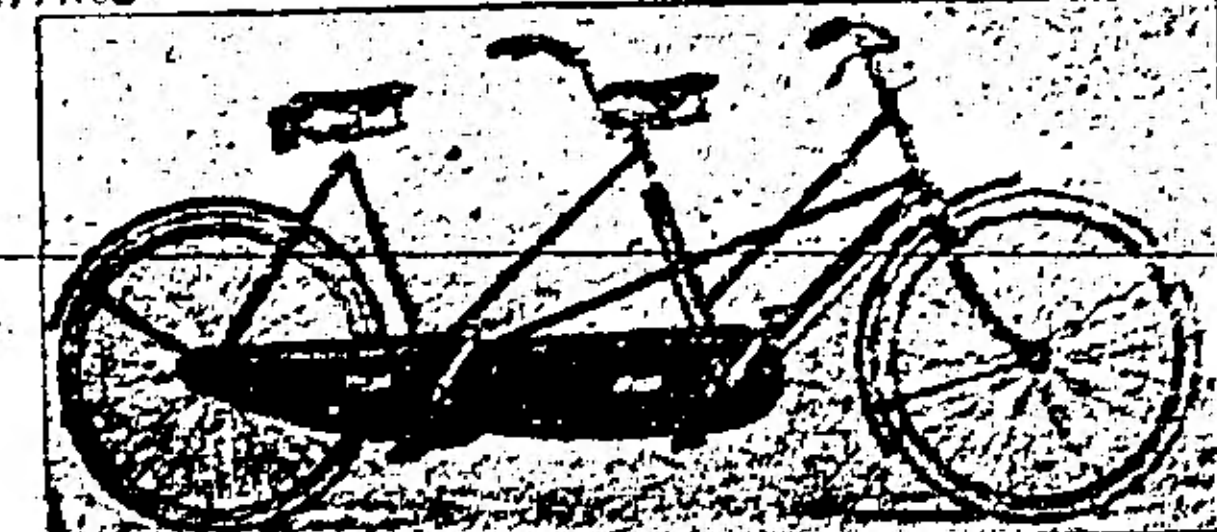
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THE MIDDLE CLASS.

Birth-rate Question.

An unusually heavy slump both
in the marriage-rate and in the
birth-rate gives an uncomfortable
reminder of the persistence of
certain social questions, com-
ments the *Observer* in a leading
article. The more flattering turn
which our vital statistics took
after the close of the war is
evidently exhausted, and these
figures are once more under the
regulation of normal causes. As
to the recruitment of population
by birth, we can reconcile our-
selves to a quantitative decline,
as long as we can conserve what
we receive and so long as its
quality in physical and other
respects is on a satisfactory level.
A select race is stronger than a
merely multitudinous. But while
we are making progress in the
preservation of the new lives, it
is a disturbing fact that repro-
duction is most rapid in classes
which are not foremost either in
physical inheritance or in social
tradition and equipment. The
position is summed up in the
constantly verified circumstance
that Shoreditch is breeding nearly
twice as fast as Hampstead.
That means a preponderance of
less favourable material for the
building up of a sound
community. There is no doubt
either about its actuality or about
its seriousness.

The situation is sometimes
loosely discussed as if it turned
wholly upon a new failure of
the middle class to reproduce itself.
The fall in the birth-rate is
certainly most conspicuous there,
but it is a mistake to suppose that
that more than any other section
of the society has hitherto been
of stable composition. There
have always been steady
currents of lapse and accession—
periodically accelerated as they
are under the special
conditions of to-day. The man
who stands socially precisely
where his grandfather did is
probably not in the majority any-
where. There is no diminution

of the middle class; there is only
an unusually large importation of
new strains, and the question is
of their fitness to perform the
functions of the position to which
they have attained. They are
obviously handicapped by lack of
experience and training—as were
their predecessors in similar cir-
cumstances. But there is a new
element in the case, in that they
carry a prejudicial physical
endowment characteristic of the
age and of their original environ-
ment. There has never been any
real trouble about social assimila-
tion in this country. A genera-
tion or two makes the new
family indistinguishable from the
old in standards, ideals, habits, or
capacity. But in replenishing its
numbers from the proletariat of
the eighteenth century or earlier
the middle class was drawing
upon a reservoir of hard
physique, nourished by open-air
life and winnowed by all the
forces of natural selection. In
the lower ranks of the
population to-day the existence
of the factory has replaced that
of the field, and natural selection
has been heavily fettered by
medical science. The healthy
have not the same chance of
robustness, and the weaklings are
preserved to breed along with
them. Everything indicates,
indeed, that the poorer stocks mul-
tiply the faster, so that the physi-
cal average steadily deteriorates
except in so far as that which can
be counteracted by social policy.
What we have to worry about is
neither the decline of the middle
class nor the change in its mem-
bership: these are old phenom-
ena, even if they are to be wit-
nessed just now in an unusually
accentuated form. The real
anxiety is the devolving of middle-
class responsibilities upon men
and women who, through no fault
of their own, are without the old
physical basis for efficiency.

It is only upon this analysis of
the problem that real safe-
guards can be founded. Little
can be expected from a
propaganda of increased fertili-
ty among the socially estab-
lished. Transfusion of classes
will always continue, and the
true objective must be the physi-
cal improvement of the masses
from whom fortune selects in-
dividuals for promotion to a rank
of greater importance in the
community. That is to say, we must
grapple more firmly than ever
with the social consequences of
the Industrial Revolution, which
still has its crushing hand upon
our national health and vitality.
Congestion, impure air, perverse
diet, and hygienic ignorance not
only injure the industrial class
itself, but ultimately impoverish
the quality of those other
classes into which its blood per-
colates and whose character it
ultimately determines. It is
particularly useful to re-
member this when every im-
pulsive deduction from financial
stringency prompts to a reduction
of public services. It is a
peculiarly hard dilemma. You
cannot have social progress with-
out taxation, and over-bearing
taxation all the time aggra-
vates the conditions which it is
desired to cure. But it is a case
for patient adjustments, and not
for dashing "cuts," which would
simply abandon the struggle
against social and physical
degeneracy. The middle class
can only punish itself in the long
run by ignoring the enervating
debility that is beneath it.

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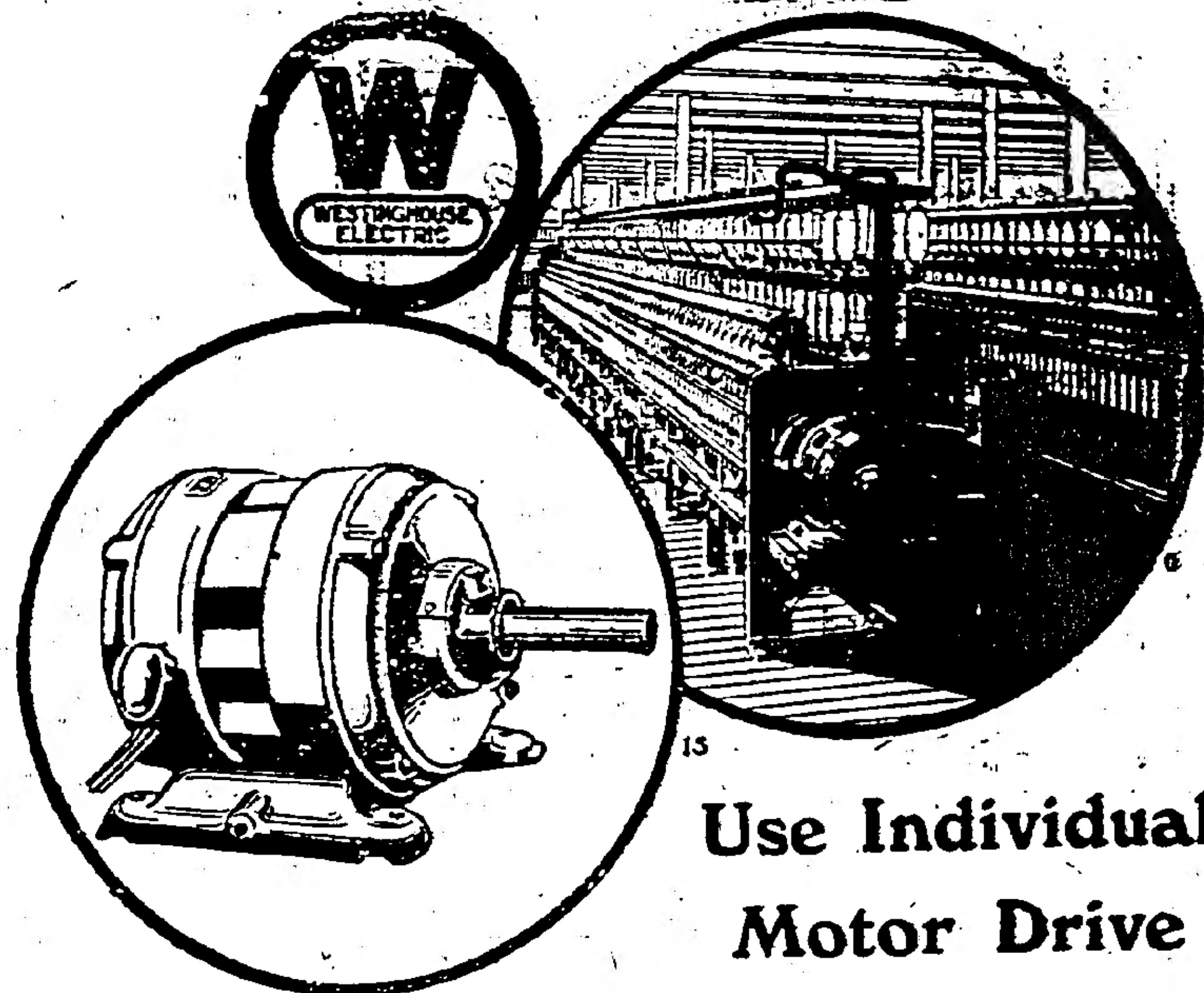
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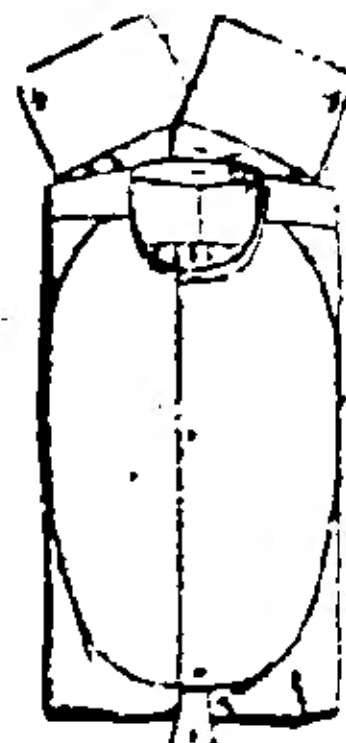
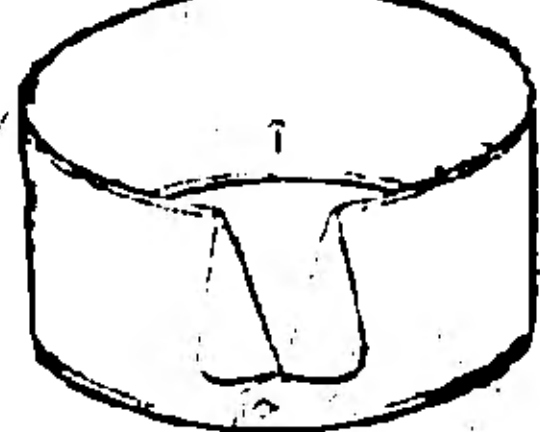
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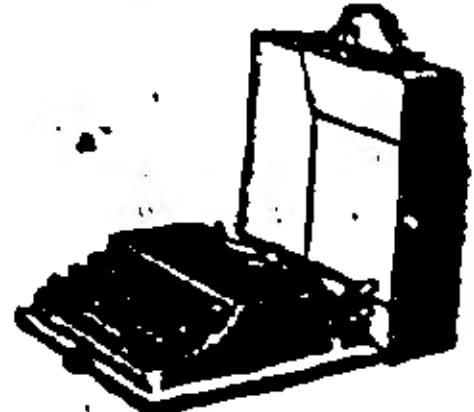
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The Telegraph.

HONGKONG, 21st Oct., 1932.

CRIMINALS AND OTHERS.

Hongkong is to have its "Black Maria," or, at least, we assume so much from the announcement made in the Budget speech that it is proposed to purchase a van for the conveyance of prisoners from outlying districts and to and from the Courts. And it is not before its time that the decision has been arrived at. A day or so ago, a batch of prisoners was seen on the road, presumably from No. 2 Police Station, handcuffed in couples and in charge of police. One of them was a small boy, who was coupled with an adult. That is the kind of thing which is rather calculated to make criminals than otherwise. Some days previously we saw a similar occurrence, when a batch of handcuffed Chinese servants was brought down from the Peak by the tramway and marched along to the Police Station in full public gaze. These men, we believe, had merely been indulging in a little "flatter," and yet they appear in the public eye as full-blown criminals. That kind of treatment is scarcely likely to other than harden any little criminal propensities they might possess. As we say, it is high time this parading of prisoners through the streets ceased, and we hope that "Black Maria" will soon be in operation.

There is another thought suggested by the handcuffing of mere boys to adults, namely, the advisability of instituting Children's Courts here. As things now are, youngsters of tender years are packed into the dock with, maybe, the most confirmed criminals, even though, as often happens, they have committed no greater offence than to hawk without a licence. This, again, is bad, involving, as it does, association with adult offenders, many of whom are hardened offenders. Matters have improved somewhat by convicted juveniles being incarcerated in a building apart from adult criminals; but it would appear to be equally necessary to separate them in the Police Courts. We trust, therefore, that it will not be long before Hongkong follows the Home example by making provision for the establishment of Juvenile Courts in the Colony.

A Macnamara Story.

As is well-known, Dr. Macnamara, whose name has recently been mentioned in connection with the Governorship of Hongkong, was in his early life a schoolmaster. Later he took up scholastic journalism, and during the course of his career as master and editor he has collected quite a big budget of stories relating to schools and scholars. Many of these are, naturally, of a most humorous kind, but perhaps one of the best he tells is the following:—An inspector was putting questions to the scholars concerning punctuation when a local Mayor, a pompous individual, who was visiting the school interrupted with the remark: "It is foolish to bother about commas and such-like." The inspector flushed. Turning to one of the boys he bade him write on the blackboard: The Mayor of Blanktown says the inspector is a fool. "Now," he continued, "put a comma after Blanktown and another after inspector." The Mayor, needless to say, kept quiet after that.

Industrialism in China.

Dr. Fong San, of Shanghai, a present in London, has just added his voice to the chorus favouring an English education for his countrymen, with a view to their benefiting by Western thought. It sounds a little incongruous after this that Dr. Fong should advise China to "avoid the terrible industrial conditions now disgracing the West." When the lot of the Chinese worker is compared with that of the average Occidental the point is not very clear. At the first assembly of the International Labour Convention, at Washington, special provision had to be made in regard to those countries, including China, which are backward in labour matters, and even at such a progressive place as Shanghai factory conditions have been severely criticised. The Western proprietors finding it difficult to improve the state of things because the Chinese employers (with honourable exceptions) indulge freely in sweating the "hands." But if Dr. Fong means, as presumably he does, that reformers must do all they can to check these conditions before they become stereotyped in China's growing industries, he will have the support of all right-minded people. If, again, Dr. Fong refers to conditions in the West when they were in the stage of development corresponding to those in China to-day, the same remark applies; and, moreover, China has the advantage of the experience in the Occident to guide her.

The Political Drama.

Following upon sundry rumours, political events at Home have followed each other in breathless succession. For a long while a break of the Coalition on the part of Conservatives has been in the air, and now it has materialised. The success of the independent Conservative candidate in the three-cornered by-election at Newport would not be an epoch-making event in itself, but, coming just when it did, the result may have determined the Conservatives to stampede. Any way, stampeded they have, and the invitation to Mr. Bonar Law to become their leader, and their participation in a fresh combination under Mr. Lloyd George—in fact, revolt against his leadership appears to have been the chief cause of the breach. The conference at which this decision was reached gave a big majority in favour of going to the country as the Conservative Party, the voting being 186 against 87. The Conservative or Unionist Party is the largest in the House, but, even if they were unanimous, they would be much short of a majority over the rest in a Legislature of over seven hundred members. Apparently the Party is reckoning either that the country will show a big return to the historic side, or that there will be continued, though informal, co-operation on the part of the "Co-Libs." It is conceivable that the first contingency may eventuate—the result at Newport, an industrial constituency, revealed an astonishing swing of the pendulum. On the other hand, this may prove to be but a flash in the pan. In regard to continued co-operation on the part of the "Co-Libs," this would be a matter for surprise in view of the way those members have just been flouted. Moreover, the Coalition Liberals appear disposed to continue their adhesion to the "Wizard." Another important factor is the body of dissident Conservative opinion, which is not only appreciable in numbers but contains the bulk of the most influential Conserva-

DAY BY DAY.

INNOCENCE FINDS NOT NEAR SO MUCH PROTECTION AS GUILT.
—Rockefoucault.

Amongst a long list of Government requirements, tenders are being invited for photographing scenes of serious crimes during 1933.

Mr. W. B. Walker and Mr. P. D. Sutherland were amongst the passengers who arrived by the a.s. President Lincoln this morning.

A new Bandman's English Farce Comedy Company is to open a season at the Theatre Royal on Friday next. Some of the latest London successes are to be presented.

A Hakka living at Yik San Ling reports that last night his house was entered by a thief, who forced open the back door and stole jewellery and clothing to the value of \$111.

There is added to the list of medical practitioners the name of Dr. Phoon Seck Foo, Government Civil Hospital, Bachelor of Medicine and Bachelor of Surgery of the University of Hongkong.

Tenders are being invited for levelling the site to required levels, building retaining walls, and laying all foundations for a school to be built on the site adjoining Bonham Road and Western Street.

It is notified that His Excellency the Officer Administering the Government in Council has appointed the hour from 1 a.m. until 6 a.m. during which blasting may take place in connection with the work now being carried out on the road between Aberdeen and Deep Water Bay on and after the 26th instant.

An interesting rifle match is taking place at Tai Koo Range tomorrow afternoon, at 2.30, between a team of five men from the U.S.S. Rainbow (under Lieut. Thomas) and five men representing the Volunteer Defence Corps (under Mr. Shaw). Each man will fire seven shots at 200, 300 and 400 yards range. Mr. W. E. L. Shenton has kindly donated souvenirs to the winning team.

THE CANTON LOAN.

Fruitless Assembly Meetings.

The members of the Provincial Assembly in Canton are still haggling over the proposed foreign loan, according to news from our correspondent there.

At a meeting of the Assembly convened on the 19th instant for the purpose of receiving a report from the Committee which has investigated the nature of the loan, several members refused to take their seats, as the Government had given no guarantee that their arrears of salary would be paid. The President and Vice-President also declared that they intended asking for twenty days' leave. The meeting then broke up.

A further meeting was held next day, but this also was adjourned. It is stated that some of the members, fearing that the Assembly will dissolve, are trying to arrange matters between the various parties and that they will request the President to cancel his leave.

tives, including Mr. Chamberlain, Lord Balfour, Lord Birkenhead, Lord Lee, Sir Robert Horne, and Sir L. Worthington Evans. Will these Conservative leaders join with Mr. Lloyd George's "Co-Libs." in a new organisation, such as the projected National or Centre Party? After their excommunication of Mr. Lloyd George the other day, it is difficult to see how the "Wee Frees" could be brought in, but there are various fragmentary units or unattached members who might be attracted. There remains the Labour Party, who are prepared to place a much larger number of candidates in the field than ever before; yet there will be occasion for great surprise if they are able to return enough members to form an Administration. Their chance rests in the present disunion of parties, but some sort of new combination seems probable. From general appearances the next Election promises to be the most speculative in British history.

Between Ourselves

By Robt. MacWhirter.

It would appear to be the fashion in some quarters freely to interchange alleged thought with poetry. The quotations contained in the following notes are taken from Cassell's Pocket Dictionary of Poetical Quotations, price 1/6d. net. I trust that I have made a serviceable selection of poems wherewith to point a moral and adorn the tale. I would hasten to add, however, that it is not my intention to continue this feature, albeit its use may be welcomed by the credulous and cultured. —R.M.W.

As it's a fair fight, right enough, between you and me, and the forlorn it's no one thing, it's another. Last week it was telephones and the budget, Sunday brought along Lloyd George's Speech and as if that weren't enough, Mr. Goodall tells me that they've added a saxophone player to the Cafe in the Old Country are no all band. As we live in anxious times what between being threatened with an ex-schoolmaster for Governor and Mrs. MacPherson's cook-boy wanting a rise of wages.

The Knockers.

It's a funny world and no mistake. Knock somebody and the world knocks you. Say a kind word and ye need your head seen to. This is the age of knocking. If it's no MacWhirter for the sake of copy, it's Asquith for the sake of auld lang syne. (The blithering old woman. A man that canna keep his wife in order should never be heard in the councils of the nation). When it isn't our Government here getting it in the neck, it's some poor woman who hasn't been quite what she ought to, and the details—my, the lack of them criminal. Which brings me by easy stages to my friend, Mr. Lloyd George.

Strange that a harp of thousand strings

Should keep in tune so long.

Joe and me have now reached the stage of dryness which usually precedes a row. It was all over the head of you speech. Joe, he's got some very queer notions for his age and as I've often said to him, it was a terrible pity his folks didn't let him join the ministry when he wanted to. He's got just the right kind of throwiness that usually goes to make the successful preacher and eye counted a valuable asset in the matter of saving souls. You man would save you politically, in spite of yourself. "Honest" politics is Joe's catchword. That means that once enrolled in a political party, the badge must be worn for life.

For forms of Government let fools contest,
What's best is best, administered is best.

Man's Ingratitude.

I fair hate though, to see a man lose his sense of proportion and that's what lots and lots have been doing this week. If Lloyd George is kicked out who are they going to put in his place? I ask you. For months past what real support has he been getting? He has more than once had to bear almost the whole burden of the Ministry, and has had to lend a hand here, there and everywhere. For all that, some wonderfully wise old women are already nominating his successor! Mind ye, I never had very much time politically for you hotch-potch called the Coalition but if he'd got the backing he should have had, the Coalition Ministry, instead of in turn apologising and reviling, would still have been the strongest political force in the world. Its late leader, at any rate, is still the greatest democratic force in Europe. Mr. Lloyd George has never been afraid of experiments. He knows that we have all been transported into a new world, a world even at this time of day, bristling with numerous and difficult problems. He has always been guided by only one issue—how the people can best be served. A General Election his political opponents cry, which translated means, "Crucify him, Crucify him."

Blow, blow, thou winter wind
Thou art not so unkind
As man's ingratitude.

Well, the quicker the better, for only then can real progress be made in solving the multifarious problems which political unrest, intrigue and back-biting is doing so much to stultify. A strong Government and a strong Parliament are very necessary to the well-being of British people to-day. There can be no strong Government where the Prime Minister is lectured, hectorated or patronised. I do not know what will be the issue of the present crisis but anybody can guess that the last few weeks have been the most unpleasant time the Premier has ever lived through. One thing he has made plain; he does not intend to renew the experience. He will grasp the nettle firmly, and

between you and me, and the bedpost, I think he need not worry about the verdict of the British people. This is the time of getting things done will stand him in good stead. Our electorate in the Old Country are no all political Diehards. The Prime Minister will put up a great fight. Critics may live to discover that they have overlooked the personal factor. What's more forbye, our people respect a hard worker, a man who is doing his dumbest and above all, they have an inherent love of fair play.

Heed no fear their fool reproach,
Nor erudition,
You miltie miltie queer hotch potch,
The Coalition.

Bathing Facilities.

And so the whole of our fore-shore between Shaukiwan and Kennedy Town is to be allocated for commercial purposes. There is a great and growing demand for land on the waterfront. Hongkong is a progressive trading port. As Mr. Fletcher put it the other day: "Are we going to put bathing or commerce first?"

Now, that sounds terribly logical and all that, but it doesn't seem quite in keeping with lots of other things the Government have said with regard to recreation. Take King's Park, for instance. You try and get permission to erect a ginger beer factory or something of the kind there, and see what you'll have coming to you. Man, no even a kirk can be tolerated yonderaway. No, the people must have recreation—and quite right too, say I. You dare breathe a suggestion about housing some commercial undertaking on the Cricket Ground and see what a nice soft cell you'll find yourself in before night. Ye may as well play wi' the ideas of turning Fanling into farm lots or making Happy Valley a reservoir. Ay, ye smile, but at the same time dilidant wi' the idea that our whole fore-shore can have wharfs, godowns and factories on it and nobody be a bit the worse off. "Are we going to put bathing or commerce first? Why this air of every thing or nothing? Why no a wee bit of the one and no so much of the other?"

Zeal is the pious madness of the mind.

Surely our Government isn't so grabby as to want to turn every bit o' sea-front into dollars and cents? Surely it is bearing in mind the thousands of its taxpayers to whom the sea is a real boon and who cannot go to Repulse Bay and the fine beach to be at Sheko? Surely before it is too late it will see to it that a few spots on our long waterfront will be retained and held in perpetuity for the use of those who cannot afford to go afield for their bathing. Their number are legion as can be well proved by reference to the figures compiled by the F.W.D. Ay, some o' you altruistic town-planners can talk as they like but they must forever keep before them the idea of the greatest good for the greatest number. For myself, I'm beginning to be just a wee bit suspicious. I'm beginning to notice that a whisper on the higher levels is much more penetrating and carries farther than the deep-throated growl on the plain below.

It's hardly in a body's power.

To keep at times free being soot.

To see how things are shared.

Is it a road, a garage or a new tramway that's wanted? Right. Is it a hospital on the peninsula or a bathing beach within easy reach of home? Ah, well now, that's different, and at any rate, of no immediate importance. I wonder if our hospital in Kowloon would have been any nearer completion had a few of the heid yins lived at Ho Mun Tin. If they'd ran the risk o' some o' their intervals coming adrift in the middle o' the night and if they'd had to be carted across the water, I'll bet they'd have raised a moan to high heaven over the head o' t.

Still have I borne it, with a patient shrug.

For endurance is the badge of all our tribe.

Hielan' Laddie.

Janet, she never misses a chance of rubbing it in. Every night for nearly a week now when I got home I've been greeted with "Where have you been at the day?" Bonnie laddie, Hielan' laddie.

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BETWEEN OURSELVES.

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and I can see that I'm not going to hear the end of this quasi-military play for a long time to come. They didn't let the grass grow under their feet up to either, mind I'm telling you. The first bit I got was asking me to attend a voluntary camp in November and the other, no, quite so voluntary this time, telling me I'm a casual and to get on with my part I bring the morning's morning at Stonecutters. And me not even got measured for my kilt yet! So ye see I'm right in the thick of it. My isn't it a blessing that there's no war on the now? You tailor's having an awful job with the padding for my legs but that'll be nothing to the job I'll have putting myself together for my first dress parade. Janet, she says I needna' expect any help from her but MacPherson has promised to see me through. I expect it'll be a lot cheaper for him than going to the pictures, no to speak of the fun besides. But man, I'll chaw him when I go swacking down the road in my kilt. What's that? Na, na, nae rickshaws for me in your rig-out. But how can a man do better than facing (a) the world?

The Budget.

Before I go any further I want to put on record my complete dissatisfaction with the speech on the Budget by H.E. the Acting Officer Administering the Government. It was a poor showing and no nearly full enough. Ten columns and no real attempt in any of them to reveal to the poor taxpayer where his money's going. You sort of things should be allowed. I dinna' ken how any man has the face to try to foist you sort of generalisation on a down-trodden and tax-ridden community.

"The time has come," the Walrus said,
To talk of many things
Of shoes—and ships—and sealing wax—
Of cabbages—and kings—

True, His Excellency did mention something about a new motor boat, motor cars and cycles but we want fuller details concerning your new tax mixer. Who pays for it anyway? At what speed can it mix? What are the dimensions of the wheels (if any) and what is its economical steaming rate? In the event of slack times, is it convertible? Can it manufacture cocktails for instance? These things we must know. There has in the past been too much of this hole and corner kind of business on the part of the Government, the ordering of machinery, etc., without taking the people into its confidence.

.....that Government of the people,
by the people and for the people
shall not perish from the earth.

How Come It?

It is also true that mention was made of a new carpenter's shop somewhere; that the Railway Station is to have a bit of trimming to the way of concrete fencing and platform barrows will perform; that our postmen will be more numerous and our carriages cleaner, but why were so many other equally important items of forthcoming expenditure kept secret? Sir, I ask you in all seriousness, how come it that the people were not made aware of the new post at Government House, the newly imported laundryman at \$30 per? Was it—but then we mustn't become personal. And I put it to you, sir, that no public announcement was made concerning the appointment of another boatswain to the Harbour Office. I also notice that our Observatory will no longer print memoirs on the winds of Hongkong. The large sum of \$600 will thus be saved. I would suggest, Your Excellency, should the same need ever arise again, that Honorable Member's speeches be reprinted, thus effecting a considerable saving in this Department. And if there be any residue in the shape of hot air, that same be utilised in connection with our new tax mixer.

Memoirs! Suffering Sailor!! If our Observatory would confine itself to warning ships and spend less on fancy gadgets, we'd get better value for our money.

The Unofficial Members also note 'wi' pleasure that the sum of \$6,000 has been voted for the purchase of petrol for police motor cars and cycles. The appropriation of this amount ought to go far in removing the suspicion that members of our worthy police force drive about in these vehicles for choice and because they like 'it. I need only express the hope, in this connection, that police officers will exercise every care as regards

the expenditure of this motor fuel and that bathing parties and joy riding will be reduced to the absolute minimum.

One burns out another's burning
One pain is lessened by another's anguish.

Cleansers—and Things.

I also notice, gentlemen, that six new Foremen Cleansers have been indentured for the Sanitary Department at a cost of \$1,440. These machines were badly needed. Some of our foremen are a disgrace and it is to be hoped that there will be a considerable improvement in their appearance at no distant date.

That the Government has been mindful of the recent crime wave in this Colony is reflected in the fact that it has created a new post in the New Territories, that of care taker at Sha Tin Gap. I trust that this newly appointed servant of the Government will be sensible of the trust reposed in him and will take every possible care of the property of which he has been appointed custodian.

A Sense of Proportion.

I have also with satisfaction that the Senior Preventative Officer will be the recipient of Ricksha Hire and that the sum of \$350 is a new vote in respect of scavenging the Northern District. One warder will also receive a Finger Print allowance of \$50 which I consider will be money well spent. Personally, I know a coolie who receives more than double this amount per year but unfortunately at the moment, through the absence of reliable data, I am unable to give with accuracy the number of finger prints he can make in return for this sum. The question might with profit, however, be referred to the Police for consideration and report.

Gentlemen, I do not propose to keep you much longer except to again express my deep sense of regret that His Excellency had devoted so much valuable time to such trivial matters as the Shing Mun Valley Water Works scheme, the erection of a Hospital at Kowloon, Harbour Development and the like. I can only hope that in the future matters affecting the common weal of the community, responsible officers of the Crown will continue to preserve that due sense of proportion so necessary in the interests of good government.

And even the rules of the day
Could score forbear to cheer.

The M. C. L.

As the days pass, Janet, she seems to get busier and busier. If it's no one thing, it's another what between making things for the M.C.L., whilst drives and dances. Mind ye, I've nothing against that sort of thing, though you wouldn't maybe have believed one three mornings ago when the front starboard button of my trousers was found missing and the nice woollen socks I got last Christmas, couldn't be tempted on my feet, so much had they shrunk.

But you mustn't think I'd allow personal inconvenience to stand between Janet and a good cause. On the contrary, I encourage her. What's an odd button or two anyway compared with the pleasure she gets in giving?

I think it was in the middle of summer that in contrapuntal mood, I twitted the M.C.L. for issuing some kind of circular instead of putting their backs into it and getting on with the good work. If on that occasion I appeared to be ungracious and grumpy, I take it all back, for ever since, I've been watching the M.C.L. and its various activities and one way and another they have made a wonderful effort this year. They started off with two concerts, one at Mt. Austin Barracks and the other at the U.S.R.C. and by the time the Peak and Naval Branches had given a couple of Bridge Tournaments, the movement had gotten a fine start. Then there was what drives galore; at the Naval and boat

Kowloon Dockyards and at the Kowloon Theatre. Followed dances at the Hongkong Hotel and Kowloon Dock and a vaudeville entertainment given by the Victoria Branch. I dare say there were dozens of other things of the kind but I've had to be guided by the posters and accounts noticed from time to time. But I mustn't forget about the Children's Club gotten up by Mrs. Saunders at the Peak, which met once a week during the summer. Its Sale of Work brought over a hundred dollars into the funds of the League. Wasn't that good, eh? Ay, I take back all I said about the M.C.L. being slack. As Janet said at the time, we canna' all be perfect. That was a somewhat heavy dig but I'll no go the length of saying it wasna' deserved.

Alas! for the rarity
Of Christian charity
Under the Sun!

Charity.

If we were but perfect our charity would be sheer giving, for the pleasure of giving. To hear of a need would be enough to inspire direct contribution. But alas we are that much short of being perfect. It is with an effort that we put our hands in our pocket. We have to be encouraged to give, we have to be tempted and tickled. Our charity would be lots more worthy if it were entirely free from self-pleasure but after all's said and done it is better to give that way than not to give at all. It cannot therefore be truly said that our giving really embodies the ideal Spirit of Charity.

There can never be any vital objection though, to charity being the handmaid of social activity so long as those taking part keep ever in sight the aim and object of their efforts. It is when social rivalries and jealousies creep in; when some bargain hunter criticises the value of her purchases and when feminine pettiness brings vexation, that makes Charity the mis-used word it often is; that often calls for the trust charity of all-charity towards the uncharitable. And now

To all to each, a fair good night,
And pleasing dreams, to slumbers light.

TWENTY-FIVE YEARS AGO.

A Glance at our Files.

(1914-15, 1897.)

NAVAL RELICS.

It is not often that an item of news is to be found in the *Illustrated*, but the last issue of that dry-as-dust journal is an exception to the rule and in it we find correspondence announcing that His Excellency the Governor and Commodore Holland have entered into a solemn compact which will result in the figureheads of the old Princess Charlotte and Victor Emmanuel being placed in prominent positions in the Royal Naval Yard. We are very glad to know this and congratulate the gallant Commodore on his action in the matter.

JUBILEE MEMORIALS.

Lengthy correspondence is published in the *Illustrated* with reference to the permanent memorials of the Queen's Diamond Jubilee. It states that the Victoria Hospital will contain 43 beds—34 for women and 9 for children. The Nursing Institute is to be close to Victoria Hospital. The Institute will provide accommodation, in the first instance, for an assistant matron, 4 sisters, and 6 probationers, and will be so arranged that it can be conveniently extended should occasion arise. The Victoria Road is intended for the purposes of driving or bicycling, and it may therefore be laid down that, wherever practicable, the width of it should not be less than 20 feet and the gradients should not be steeper than about 1 in 15.

BUILT AT NAVAL YARD.

The first iron vessel built at the Hongkong Royal Naval Yard was launched on the 18th instant. The new craft is intended for pitch-heating alongside the warships and she will supply a want that has been very much felt on this station. The Chinese workmen, who built the craft under European supervision were very much elated over the success of their work and her launch was accompanied by many appreciative "Hi yabs." Hitherto there were no means for pitch-heating in the harbour since the loss of a similar boat in the typhoon of 1895. The dimensions of the

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breadth, 9 feet. Her tonnage was not of sufficient importance, unfortunately, to warrant the Dockyard "maties" having the usual half holiday allowed by the Admiralty on the occasion of launches.

WHEN CYCLING WAS POPULAR.

With the increasing number of bicycles in the Colony the need of an ordinance compelling cyclists to carry a light after sunset is becoming daily more and more apparent. The wheel fad is now frequently to be seen careering along crowded thoroughfares after dark and only

depending upon his bell to give warning of his approach, while some appear to take a delight in shoving by pedestrians as closely as possible when overtaking them. Must we wait for a fatal accident before the authorities move in the matter?

CATHEDRAL DEDICATION.
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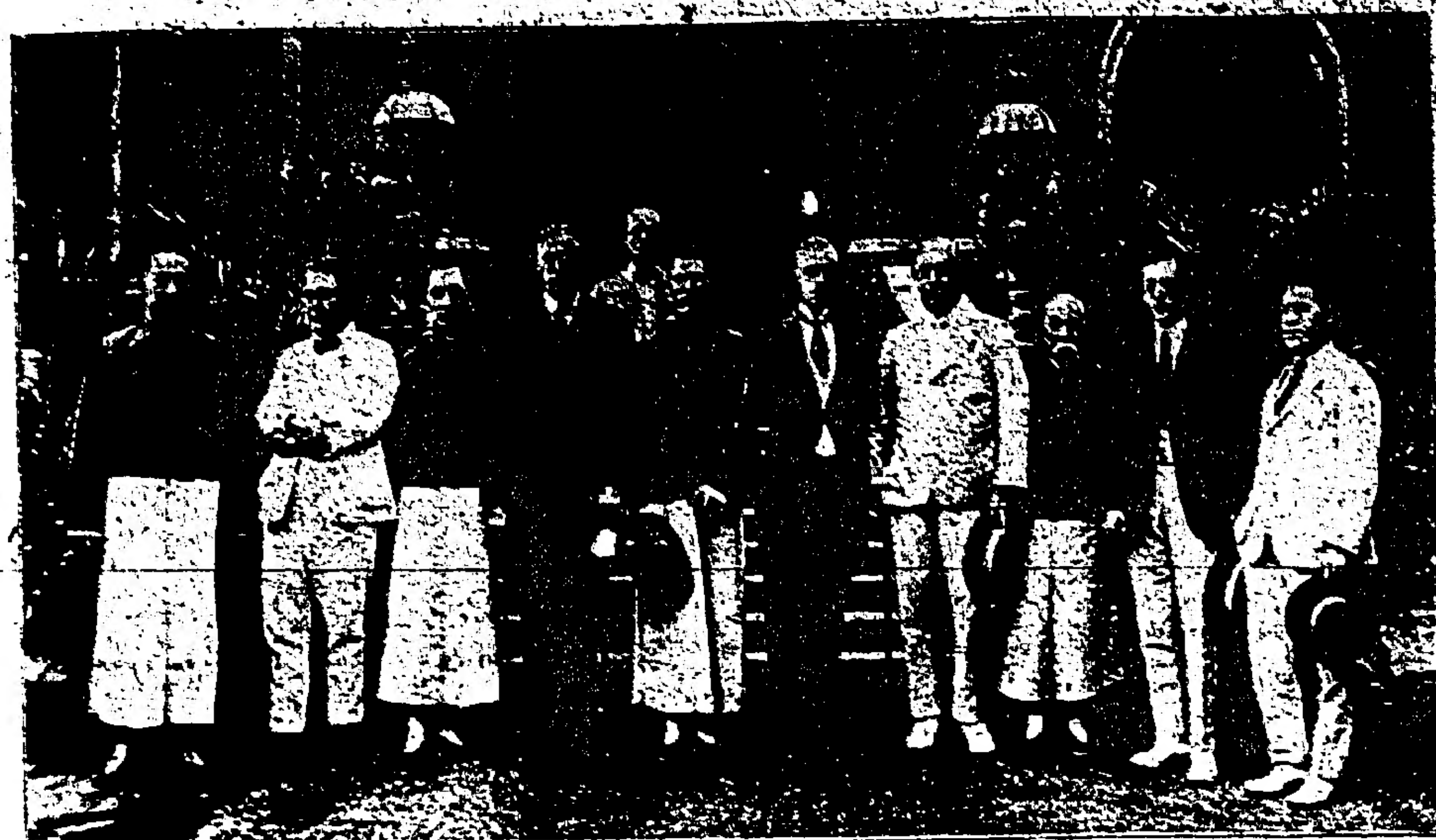


Photo: A. Fong.
Group taken at residence of Sir Robert Ho Tung, during the visit of Mr. C. H. Huston, U. S. Assistant Secretary of Commerce.



Photo: Mee Cheung.
Group taken at the wedding of Mr. R. A. Wilkinson and Miss Solverson.



Photo: Ming Yuen.
Mr. C. A. Grimes, Hongkong's rifle champion.



Photo: Ming Yuen.
Hongkong and Manila Interport Polo Teams. Left to right (standing):—Capt. Fisher (reserve), W. H. S. Dent, L. Nelson, J. Bartholomew, Capt. Ball and Major-Gen. Sir John Fowler (umpire). Sitting:—Major Howell, C. C. Boyd, C. P. White and Capt. Neville.



Misses Gladys and Doris Hunt, the plucky little harbour swimmers.

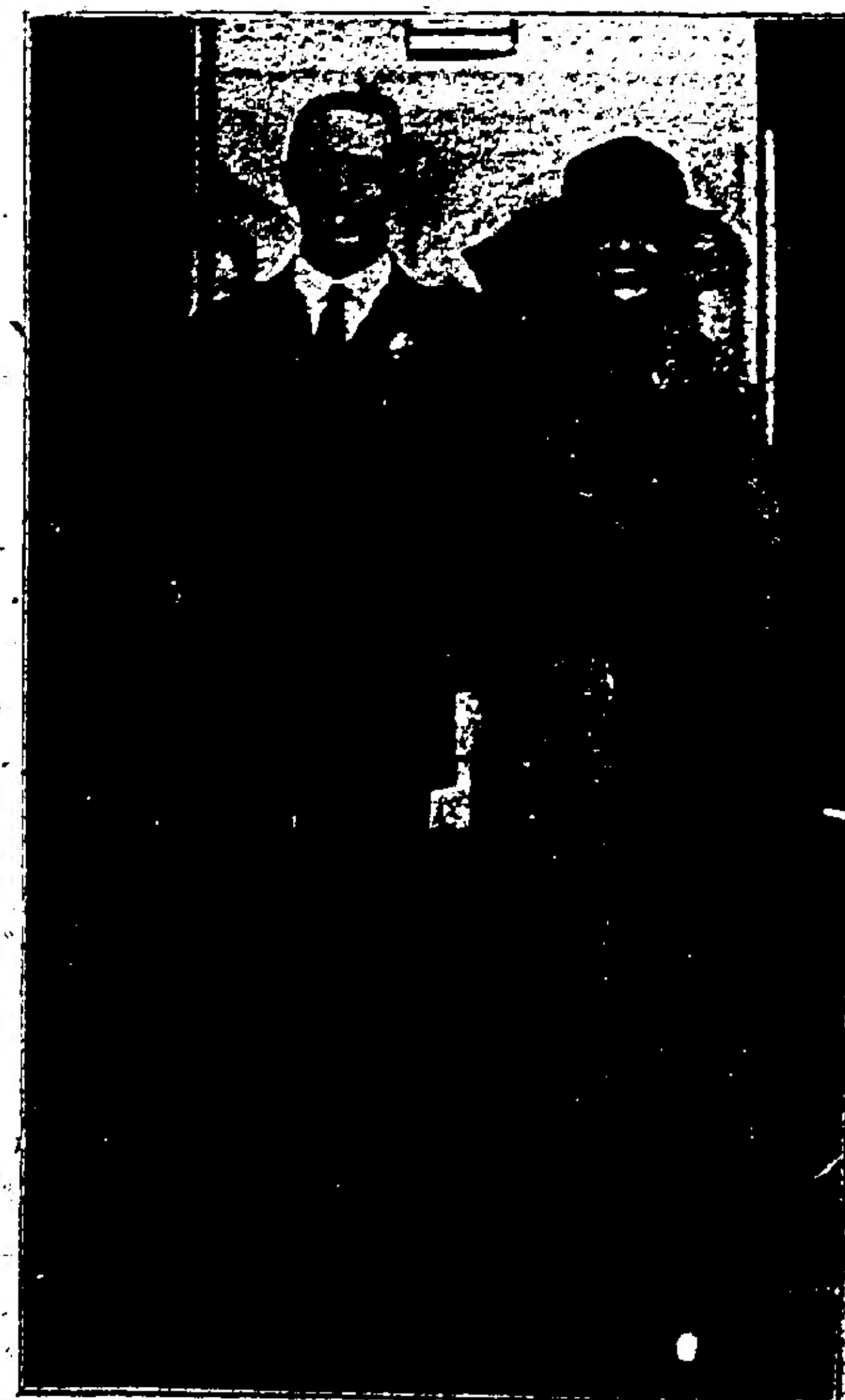


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BANGKOK via Swatow Chaksang	Tues. 24th Oct. at 10 a.m.	
STRAITS & Calcutta	Laisang	Tues. 24th Oct. at 3 p.m.
TIAO via S'hai & S'hai	Hangsang	Thurs. 26th Oct. at 10 a.m.
MANILA	Loongsang	Fri. 27th Oct. at 3 p.m.
HAIPHONG via Hoihow Mingsang	Fri. 27th Oct. at 10 a.m.	
SHANGHAI via Swatow Wingsang	Fri. 27th Oct. at 10 a.m.	
BANGKOK via Swatow Drulur	Tues. 31st Oct. at 10 a.m.	
HAIPHONG via Hoihow Leesang	Fri. 3rd Nov. at 10 a.m.	
BANGKOK via Hoihow Chunsang	Wed. 8th Nov. at 11 a.m.	
STRAITS & Calcutta	Josang	Thurs. 9th Nov. at 3 p.m.

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BANGKOK	Linan	23rd Oct. at d'light.
SWATOW & BANGKOK	Kingyuan	24th Oct. at 10 a.m.
SHANGHAI & TSINGTAO	Kanchow	24th Oct. at 4 p.m.
NINGPO & CHEFOO	Changchow	25th Oct. at 7 a.m.
H'HOW, P'HOI, H'PHONG	Kailong	25th Oct. at 7 a.m.
AMOI & SHANGHAI	Soochow	26th Oct. at 7 a.m.
W'WEL CHEFOO & T'SIN	Kueichow	27th Oct. at 4 p.m.
SHANGHAI & TSINGTAO	Sinkiang	27th Oct. at 4 p.m.
NEUCHWANG	Pakhoi	29th Oct. at d'light.
SHANGHAI	Chickiang	29th Oct. at 4 p.m.
SWATOW & BANGKOK	Kiangsu	31st Oct. at 10 a.m.
SHANGHAI & TSINGTAO	Yingchow	31st Oct. at 4 p.m.

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SHIPPING NEWS.

SHIPBUILDING CONDITIONS.
Enquiries for new tonnage
have been in evidence during the
past month, but only one or
two small orders for cargo vessels
have been placed. There is still
a marked absence of interest in
the more expensive passenger
liners. Most repair works are
practically at a standstill, owners
doing as few repairs as possible,
and the high harbour dues ex-
acted in Glasgow tend to divert
such business elsewhere. Un-
employment is still serious, only
about one-third of the normal
number of workers being at pres-
ent employed.—Home review for
September.

IMPROMPTU OPERATION.
Passengers of the Admiral liner,
Ruth Alexander brought to Seattle
on September 1 the story of a
remarkable surgical operation
performed on W. F. Hoare, third
mate of the vessel. Hoare became
violently ill when the Ruth Alex-
ander was eighteen miles from
Astoria, Ore., thirty hours from
Seattle, her destination, which
she reached afterwards on her
regular trip from San Francisco.
Two doctors who were passengers
on the ship, diagnosed the sick-
ness as acute appendicitis. A
cabin door was used for an
operating table, and the doctors
performed the operation with
a pair of sewing scissors,
two pairs of forceps and a darning
needle. The incision was sewed
up with embroidery silk and
catgut. The operation consumed
only 14 minutes. Hoare was
taken to a Seattle hospital when
the Alexander reached there and
made a rapid recovery.

PIER CONSTRUCTION AT MANILA.
In the construction of what is
to be Manila's mammoth pier,
No. 7, P4,000,000 has been spent
to date by the insular government.
The project, that is, the pier
proper and pier head will have
cost the government by next year,
about which time the director of
public works hopes to complete it,
P6,500,000. The director of public
works is asking this year the re-
lease of P2,839,700 from the avail-
able returns from the recent issues
of port works and irrigation
bonds. Of what amount he
would spend P89,700 for the
continuation of the construction
work during the remainder of
this year which the remainder,
P2,000,000, would be used in pay-
ing back to the insular treasury
the overdraft. Next year another
release of P1,000,000 must be
made to complete the whole pro-
ject, while the sum of P500,000
will also be necessary to construct
the pier head. The new pier will
have an area three times the
combined areas of Piers 3 and 5.
It will be 1,400 feet long. The ex-
penditure in the construction in-
cluding pier head and assembling
of machinery and equipment will
amount to about P8,000,000 in all.
MOTOR VESSEL FOR LOCOMOTIVE
TRANSPORT.

An interesting example of the
conversion of an obsolete naval
vessel into a mercantile ship for
special use is the newly com-
pleted locomotive transport ship
Agir. This ship, recently left
the Rustingen yard of the Deuts-
chen Werken A.G., and is the
second vessel which has been
converted in this manner, the
sister ship of the present vessel,
the Olin, having been altered in a
similar way some months ago.
These ships, originally battle-
ships of the "Seigfried" class,
were built in the period 1893-
1896, and were, before the war,
engaged on coastal defence work
in the Baltic Sea. The two triple-
expansion steam engines have
been removed and replaced by
two four-stroke cycle six-cylin-
der high-speed Diesel engines.
These engines, which were
intended for use in a submarine,
are each designed to develop 350
horsepower at a speed of 360
revolutions per minute. The struc-
ture of the ship has been mod-
ified in such a way that, in ad-
dition to various holds, a long flat
deck is available for the carrying
of cargo. In this particular ship
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CHURCH NOTICES.

A CHARGE OF ONE DOLLAR IS MADE FOR NOTICES UNDER THIS HEADING.

St. John's Cathedral, Hongkong: 22nd October, 1922, 10th Sunday after Trinity. Holy Communion (7:30 a.m.); Matins (11 a.m.); Responses: Ferial: Venite: Turner; Psalms: 111. Ouseley, 113. Ouseley; Te Deum: Woodward; Smart. Turle; Benediction: Beethoven (5th morning); Anthem: "God is a Spirit" Stern-dale-Bennett; Hymn: 256. Healing Service (12 noon). Evensong (6 p.m.); Responses: Ferial: Psalms: 120, 121, 122. Beethoven; Magnificat: Turle (5th evening); Nunc Dimittis: Wesley; Hymns: 231, 255, 274. Peak Church: Holy Communion (8:15 a.m.).

Wesleyan Methodist Church, Queen's Road, East, Wanchai. (Opposite Royal Naval Hospital). Sunday, Oct. 22nd. Preacher, Rev. T. W. Scholes, M. A. Morning Service, 10.15. Hymns: 4, Te Deum, 227, 252, 534. Subject of Sermon: The Call to serve. Evening Service, 6.00. Hymns 51, 226, 95, 424, 300. Subject of Sermon: The Meaning of Salvation. Gospel Meeting in Sailors' and Soldiers' Home at 8.15, conducted by Mr. A. A. Dransfield. Wednesday, Oct. 25th, Wesley Guild Social Service, evening at 8.15. Friday, Oct. 27th, 8.45 Choir Practice.

University Students' Services Association. (Rhenish Mission Church, Bonham Road). Sunday, October 22nd, 1922, at 7.30 p.m. Hymns: 540, "Fight the good fight with all thy might"; 253, "Brief life is here our portion"; 327, "There's a Friend for little children." Preacher: Rev. C. B. Shann, M.A., (Warden of St. John's Hall). Subject: "Christ and Child Labour."

First Church of Christ Scientist, McDonnell Road, below Bowen Road Tram Station—Sunday, 11.15 a.m.; Wednesday, 5.45 p.m.

WEATHER REPORT.

Oct. 20d. 11h. 37m.—Pressure has increased moderately over Japan. It has decreased moderately at Weihaiwei and slightly from Shanghai to Indo-China. It is nearly stationary over the Philippines.

A depression lies over Indo-China and a belt of high pressure extends from S. Manchuria to central China.

Fresh monsoon may be expected over the N. China Sea. It will be interrupted to the north of Foochow.

Hongkong Rainfall for the 24 hours ending at 10 a.m. to-day, 0.05 inch. Total since January 1st, 67.90 inches, against an average of 79.59 inches.

FORECAST FOR THE 24 HOURS ENDING AT NOON TO-MORROW.

District. Forecast.

1 Formosa Channel South coast of China between H.K. & Lamocks. N.E. winds, fresh to moderate; moderate; cloudy at first, improving later.

3 Hongkong to Gap Rock. N.E. winds, fresh to moderate; moderate; cloudy at first, improving later.

4 South coast of China between H.K. & Hainan. N.E. winds, fresh to moderate; moderate; cloudy at first, improving later.

T. F. CLAXTON, Director.

H.K. Observatory, Oct. 20, 1922.

TIME SIGNALS.

The time ball on Kowloon Signal Hill is dropped daily at 10 a.m. and 4 p.m., except on Saturdays when it is dropped at 10 a.m. and 1 p.m., and on Sundays and Holidays when it is dropped at 10 a.m. only.

The ball is hoisted half mast at the 53th minute and full mast at the 57th minute. Should the ball fail to drop at the correct time, it will be lowered at five minutes past the hour and the ordinary routine repeated at following hour, if possible.

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The hours refer to Hongkong Standard Time (8 hours of time Greenwich).

METEOROLOGICAL.

Previous Day	on date.	on date.
at 2 p.m.	at 5 a.m.	at 2 p.m.
Barometer	29.85	29.85
Temperature	79	75
Humidity	75	79
Wind Direction	E	E
Wind Force	4	4
Weather	0	0
Rain	0.75	0.00
Highest open air Temperature on the 19th	80	
Lowest open air Temperature on the 20th	74	

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